GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to make technical courses compulsory in the schools already functioning in the villages;

(b) if so, the number of the schools in rural areas where technical courses are being conducted at present ; and

(c) the details of programme being implemented to provide technical education to the people belonging to all sections of the society in the rural areas?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Vocationalisation of Secondary Education provides financial assistance to State Governments/ UT Administrations and Non-Governmental Organisations for implementation of Vocational Education Programme. The scheme is being implemented since 1988 and in the revised form since 1992-93. Under the scheme so far, 6728 schools have been sanctioned to implement vocational courses at +2 level including in rural areas. Also, 168 NGOs have been financially assisted so far, to provide vocational training to the school dropouts, unemployed youth and women, mostly in the rural areas and from disadvantaged sections of the society.